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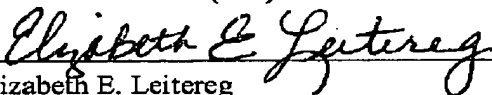
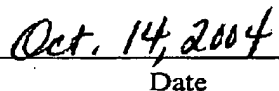
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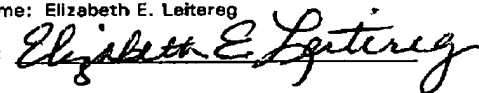
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In response to an Office Action - Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of Sep. 15, 2004, please find enclosed a corrected **Amendments to the Claims** section for the Response/Amendment filed Sep. 1, 2004 for the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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